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In re Application Paul E. Vasil et al.  
Title: Electronic Transaction Security Method  
Serial No.: 09/718,179  
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Group Art Unit: 2164  
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Attorney's Docket No.: VASIL-01

Assistant Commissioner For Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT SUBMITTED

UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.97(b)(1)

In accordance with their duty to disclose information which may be material to patentability under 37 CFR 1.97(b)(1) and 1.98, Applicants are submitting herewith (1) two copies of Form PTO-1449 (one page) listing a number of references which are believed to be pertinent to the disclosure of the above-captioned application, and (2) a copies of each of the references as follows:

U.S. PATENTS

- (1) U.S. Patent No. 5,189,700, issued 02/23/93 to R. Blandford;
- (2) U.S. Patent No. 5,613,001, issued 03/18/97 to E. Bakhoun;
- (3) U.S. Patent No. 5,781,630, issued 07/14/98 to K. Huber et al;
- (4) U.S. Patent No. 5,826,241, issued 10/20/98 to L. Stein et al;
- (5) U.S. Patent No. 5,956,699, issued 09/21/99 to J. Wong et al;
- (6) U.S. Patent No. 6,029,154, issued 02/22/00 to J. Pettitt;
- (7) U.S. Patent No. 6,035,288, issued 03/07/00 to R. Solomon;
- (8) U.S. Patent No. 6,041,308, issued 03/21/00 to J. Walker et al;
- (9) U.S. Patent No. 6,058,189, issued 05/02/00 to P. McGough; and
- (10) U.S. Patent No. 6,070,154, issued 05/30/00 to O. Tavor et al.

It is respectfully requested that these documents be considered by the Examiner and that an initialed copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned to the undersigned with the next Official Action.

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It is believed that this disclosure complies with the requirements of 37 CFR 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98. If for some reason the Examiner considers otherwise, it is respectfully requested that the undersigned be contacted by the Examiner by telephone in order that any deficiencies may be expeditiously remedied.

No significance is meant to be attached to any markings on the enclosed prior art documents.

If any fees are required to be paid, please charge the same to Deposit Account No. 16-0221.

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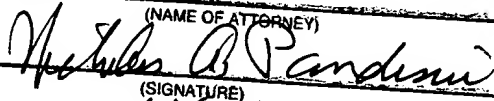
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